



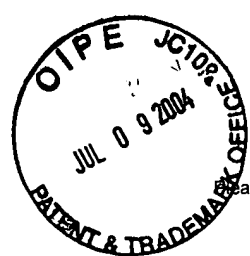
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Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action dated June 8, 2004 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before September 8, 2004. In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested. Applicants submit that the amendments set forth below raise no new issues. Rather, the amendments place the claims in form for allowance or in better form for appeal. Entry of these amendments is thus respectfully requested.

Applicants note that those claims not amended herein are being reiterated solely for the convenience of the Examiner.



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